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In re Application of:

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
DRAWING AND PAINTING WITH
WARPED BITMAP BRUSHES

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the final Office action dated September 5, 2003, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

After carefully reviewing the final Office action, applicants believe the rejections in the final Office action are not well grounded. Specifically, the final Office action alleges pending claims 1-39 define the same invention (35 U.S.C. § 101) as defined by claims 1-39 of U.S. Patent 6,201,549, which issued from the parent application of this CIP application. For example, the final Office action asserts independent claims 1 and 19 in this application are "taught" by claim 25 of the '549